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- During recent considerations of candidates for the Consultative Land Assembly of South Baden, the Badische Christlichsoziale Volksbund proposed to admit a representative of the city of Kehl. This proposal was rejected by the French Military Government with the statement that Kehl could not be considered a German city at present. The Communist Party of Baden made a similar proposal and submitted it to the Communist Party of France, but with no success.
- The French Military Government officials in Freiburg stated that the problem of Kehl, now almost exclusively inhabited by the French, their families and sympathizers, is a matter to be decided internationally and can be settled only by the peace treaty. French Transportation Minister Jules Moch expressed the same view to the mayor of the city of Strasbourg during the recent dedication of the Kehl-Strasbourg Rhine bridge.

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